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SUBJECT: SHCHARANSKY

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1. CHARGE MET EVENING OF MARCH 7 WITH KALMANOWITCH.

2. KALMANOWITCH SAID HE HAD NOT FELT DISCOURAGED IN HIS CONTACTS IN THE U.S. (APPARENTLY CHIEFLY WITH REP. GILMAN'S OFFICE) ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF A DEAL INVOLVING THOMPSON. GILMAN HAD GIVEN HIS VIEWS ONLY AFTER CHECKING WITH THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH, AND SO KALMANOWITCH FELT ENCOURAGED TO EXPLORE THE MATTER FURTHER WITH VOGEL. REP. GILMAN'S OFFICE HAD MADE TWO MAIN POINTS ON A POSSIBLE DEAL. ONE, IT WAS UP TO VOGEL TO MAKE A CONCRETE OFFER. TWO, THE U.S. GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT BE OFFICIALLY INVOLVED. KALMANOWITCH SAID HE WOULD CONVEY THIS TO VOGEL WHEN HE MET HIM MARCH 8.

KALMANOWITCH SAID HE HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY A MEMBER OF REP. GILMAN'S STAFF TO ASK VOGEL IF THE LATTER IS PREPARED TO HANDLE CASES OF AMERICANS IMPRISONED ABROAD. KALMANOWITCH UNDERSTOOD IT WAS NOT A QUESTION OF PRISONERS IN THE USSR OR EASTERN EUROPE, BUT CUBA WAS PROBABLY INVOLVED. HE WOULD PASS THIS REQUEST TO VOGEL.

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3. KALMANOWITCH DID NOT GO INTO MUCH DETAIL ABOUT HIS VISIT TO CHILE BUT SAID HE HAD COME AWAY WITH THE DEFINITE IMPRESSION THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO WORK OUT A DEAL INVOLVING JAILED CHILEAN COMMUNISTS.

4. CHARGE STRESSED THAT, WHILE HE WAS PLEASED TO SEE

KALMANOWITCH, THE MEETING DID NOT RPT NOT MEAN USG IS
BECOMING INVOLVED IN ANY NEGOTIATIONS OR PROPOSALS.
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